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SUBJECT: COMPENSATION COSTS IN RAYON STAPLE FIBER INDUSTRY

INTERNATIONAL LABOR AFFAIRS BUREAU (ILAB) OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF LABOR REQUESTS EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING INFORMA-
TION ON COMPENSATION COSTS FOR PRODUCTION WORKERS IN THE
RAYON STAPLE FIBER INDUSTRY FOR USE IN CONNECTION WITH AN
ANTI-DUMPING CASE.

ILAB HAS OBTAINED FROM THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS)
DATA ON ESTIMATED HOURLY COMPENSATION OF PRODUCTION WORKERS
IN THE TOTAL SYNTHETIC FIBER INDUSTRY FOR ITALY. HOWEVER,
DATA ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR RAYON STAPLE FIBER WORKERS FROM
THE SOURCES USED BY BLS.

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BLS ESTIMATES THAT TOTAL COMPENSATION PER HOUR WORKED OF
PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SYNTHETIC FIBERS IN ITALY WAS
5,821 LIRE IN FIRST HALF 1977. TOTAL HOURLY COMPENSATION
INCLUDES ALL DIRECT PAYMENTS MADE TO THE WORKER (PAY FOR
TIME WORKED, PAY FOR VACATIONS, HOLIDAYS, AND OTHER LEAVE,
ALL BONUSES, AND PAY IN KIND) BEFORE PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS OF
ANY KIND, PLUS EMPLOYER EXPENDITURES FOR LEGALLY-REQUIRED

INSURANCE PROGRAMS AND CONTRACTUAL AND PRIVATE PLANS FOR
THE BENEFIT OF EMPLOYEES. THE ESTIMATE IS BASED ON

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF 2,796 LIRE AND A 108.2 PERCENT
ADJUSTMENT FOR ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION NOT INCLUDED IN
PUBLISHED EARNINGS. THE AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS ARE FROM
THE APRIL AND OCTOBER SURVEY OF EARNINGS AND HOURS
CONDUCTED BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL INSURANCE
FOR THE STATISTICAL OFFICE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
(EUROSTAT). BLS MAKES PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF AVERAGE
HOURLY EARNINGS FOR PERIODS SINCE THE LATEST PUBLISHED
DATA (OCTOBER 1975) BY UPDATING THE EARNINGS ACCORDING TO
THE TREND IN THE MONTHLY INDEX OF MINIMUM CONTRACTUAL
HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS COMPILED BY THE
ISTITUTO CENTRALE DI STATISTICA (ISTAT). THE RATIOS OF
ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION TO PUBLISHED EARNINGS ARE BASED ON
DATA FROM THE 1972 SURVEY OF LABOR COSTS IN INDUSTRY
CONDUCTED BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOR AND SOCIAL INSURANCE
FOR EUROSTAT. THE RATIOS ARE UPDATED FROM 1972 BY BLS
USING DATA FOR ALL MANUFACTURING FROM THE ANNUAL LARGE
ESTABLISHMENT LABOR COST SURVEYS CONDUCTED BY THE
CONFEDERAZIONE GENERALE DELL'INDUSTRIA ITALIANA AND, FOR
THE MOST RECENT PERIOD, CHANGES IN EMPLOYER SOCIAL
SECURITY CONTRIBUTION RATES.

ILAB WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING
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ANY INFORMATION THAT MIGHT BE AVAILABLE TO IMPROVE THE BLS
ESTIMATES--PARTICULARLY TOTAL EMPLOYMENT COST OR BASIC
WAGE DATA IN NATIONAL CURRENCY FOR RAYON STAPLE FIBER
WORKERS--FROM UNPUBLISHED WAGE SURVEY STATISTICS,
MANUFACTURERS' REPORTS, OR OTHER SOURCES. ILAB WOULD
ALSO LIKE TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON THE EMPLOYMENT COSTS
FOR SKILLED CHEMICAL ENGINEERS IN THE RAYON STAPLE FIBER
OR TOTAL SYNTHETIC FIBER INDUSTRY. ILAB WOULD APPRECIATE
AN EARLY REPLY. VANCE

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